GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
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SELECTION CRITERIA OF MEMBERS IN C.B.F.C.
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have laid down certain criteria while selecting/considering the names of persons for appointment as Members Advisory panels of CBFC;

(b) if so, whether the persons connected with production, distribution and exhibition of films can not be considered for members of the Advisory panels of CBFC as per the guidelines/criteria set by the Union Government;

(c) if so, the reasons for selecting Shri P. Shiv Krishna, film-maker, actor, producer, film financer as the member of the Advisory panel of CBFC from Hyderabad;

(d) whether the guidelines have been kept aside and gross irregularities was made while selecting Shri P. Shiv Krishna for the said membership`

(e) if so, the reasons for the appointment of the said persons; and

(f) the action being taken to cancel his membership from the Advisory panel of CBFC?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) & (b): As per the provisions of the Cinematograph Act, 1952, any person, who, inthe opinion of the Central Government, is qualified to judge the effect of a film on the average audience, can be appointed as Member of the Board or advisory panels of regional offices of CBFC.

(c), (d), (e) & (f): Do not arise.